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## COUNTY NEWS IN A NUTSHELL

### EVA CITY.

"Uncle" John Holland is very sick at this writing.

O. D. Lindsey was in Camden on business Saturday.

Continued rains have started the backwater to rising again.

Wood Terry has moved to the place vacated by Frank Boswell.

Miss Lula Boswell was a charming hostess to friends Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sykes spent Sunday with the family of M. L. Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker White have returned from a visit to relatives at Holladay.

C. L. Tippet, N. C. Melton and G. V. Holland were in Nashville a few days last week.

Mrs. Elsie White of Camden visited her father, John Holland, the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Farrar of Camden visited the family of their son, T. H. Farrar, last week.

L. J. Sykes is sick this week, but we are glad to say he is considerably improved and expects to take up his official duties at the depot in a few days.

We have a splendid Sunday school at Eva, but there is always room for improvement. Come and bring someone with you and help make the school better.

The Woodmen Circle met last Saturday and instructed two ladies in the mysteries of woodcraft and voted on two new applications for membership. The ladies of the Circle are getting busy and applications are coming in fast.

Some correspondent said if we were not in favor of a \$250,000 road bond issue to keep "mum." Well, the writer is not in favor of such an issue. We need good roads—no one will deny it—but how to get them is the question the people of Benton County have been trying to solve for years.

Bonds is something we get, and then there is no chance to turn loose until the other man says so. Then how can we pay them? You say with an extra assessment of taxes. Poor old tax! He is badly abused. We are paying \$1.55 on the \$100 worth of property, but how are the lands assessed? We know of lands in this locality that are not assessed at one-third the value. Now if we pay \$1.55 on the \$100, suppose the bonds are voted on the county, what will we pay?

If the above mentioned tax does not provide a sufficient fund even to keep up the bridges as they should be, what will you do when we have to raise the money to pay the bonds and interest? Interest is the pet of some people because they are getting it; others abuse it because they have to pay interest.

Those in favor of bonds say they can be sold at 6 per cent, possibly less. Well, say 6 per cent. We believe that is as good as we could do, and in 16 years and 8 months your \$250,000 bonds have drawn \$250,000 interest and like 3 years and 4 months of maturing. Thus, to illustrate, \$250,000 draws interest at the rate of \$15,000 annually. When the interest has amounted to as much as the principal, then we will lack 3 years and 4 months of being ready to pay the principal. The interest accruing in these 3½ years is \$50,000. Now complete these amounts. Bonds, \$250,000; interest, \$200,000; total, \$450,000.

This does not look good to the writer. Do you think that Benton County can raise \$27,500 per year and not have a tax on the people that would be hard to get. I mean hard for the tax payer to get. If you think we can raise \$27,500 annually, why not levy the necessary tax and in 16 years we would raise \$275,000 and not be in debt. The writer can not see where it shows good judgment to vote bonds and pay interest on them that will eat up the principal, that is, amount to more than the principal. We need the good roads but please don't vote bonds. The amount sufficient to pay the interest would have to be levied, so why not levy without bonds.

### PALESTINE.

Mrs. Minta Harris is improving at this writing.

C. D. Cole went to Saturday to begin work in a barber shop.

Heber Hill spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. James Arnold.

Rev. R. L. Prince preached to a large congregation here Sunday.

Mrs. W. M. Howe and children spent the sabbath with Mrs. Sarah Allen.

The home of R. L. Arnold has been cast into deep gloom by the death of the wife and mother, Mrs. Callie Arnold, who passed away Thursday, January 27, leaving her husband, three sons, one brother and one sister. She was a faithful member of the M. E. Church, South, at Palestine. The remains were laid to rest in the Palestine Cemetery, services conducted by Rev. R. L. Prince.

### PEMBROKE.

In spite of bad roads and rainy weather our school is steadily increasing. The enrollment now is 100, with 4 new students this week. In the eighth grade grammar we have 18 pupils, and 10 in the seventh.

The monthly examinations are being held this week, and from all accounts the pupils and parents are satisfied with a part of the grades, at least. Pembroke is a school of ambitious pupils who have an aim in life and are striving valiantly to reach their goal.

We are still working to have a

school with all the comforts and equipment of the best regulated schools. Our building committee are underpinning the house with brick, and a heating system will soon be installed whereby a person will be as warm in one part of the building as in another.

Mr. Brown, State rural school inspector, was with us recently and expressed hopes of having a rural school experiment station here in the near future. By the cooperation of the patrons, teachers and pupils we will have the best school in the county, where the children can obtain a practical education.

There will be a box supper at the school Friday night, February 11, for the purpose of starting a library fund. Everyone is invited and urged to come and help us in our endeavor to hasten the progress of the school.

### HOLLADAY.

John Robinson is very ill at this writing.

Taylor Barnes and others were in Camden Saturday.

Mrs. S. W. Holladay has returned from Huntingdon.

The family of E. G. Oxford were in Holladay Saturday.

Henry Brown spent the weekend with his grandmother, Mrs. A. G. Brown.

Henry Brown sustained a severe fall last week as a result of the poor condition of the streets.

Virgil Hatley has succeeded J. N. Prince as cashier of the Bank of Holladay, the latter having gone to Henderson, Ky.

### MIDDLEBROOK.

Ernest McEwen was a guest of O. G. Deaton last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McEwen spent Sunday with Howard Yates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Greer spent Saturday with the family of John Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nunnery visited the family of Albert Greer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McEwen spent Sunday with the family of B. A. Cowell.

D. W. Holland and wife were guests of the family of Arch Walker last Sunday.

Misses Virgie Allen and Willie

and Lillie Greer spent Sunday afternoon with the family of Albert Greer.

### GOOD RESULTS.

During the year 1915 the churches of the United States and Canada gave to foreign missions \$18,793,990, an increase over 1914 of \$1,625,379, or nine per cent. Of this amount, \$17,145,533 was given by the churches of the United States. The gifts for this cause have about doubled in North America in the last eight years, showing a very rapid growth of interest. The total for North America, Great Britain and Europe is about \$30,000,000 a year, from which it will be seen that the United States is giving more for missions than all the rest of the Christian world.

The five largest boards in the United States each had receipts exceeding a million dollars, as follows: Presbyterian, U. S. A., \$2,262,061; Methodist Episcopal, \$1,588,755; American Baptist, \$1,364,268; Protestant Episcopal, \$1,152,250; Congregational, \$1,101,570. The receipts of the leading Southern boards were as follows: Methodist, \$797,691; Presbyterian, \$522,515; Baptist, 587,076.

The American Baptist and Protestant Episcopal boards paid off large debts, the last-named raising for this purpose for hundred thousand dollars in addition to its regular income. Women's boards had their greatest year in 1915 also, receiving larger sums than in any previous year.

The Chronicle received several renewal subscriptions last week, all expressing appreciation of our efforts to hold the "Old Reliable" at a high standard of excellence. In sending his remittance T. G. Cooper, Gleason, Tenn., writes: "Herewith find check for \$1.00, and beginning with this week's issue please let us have The Chronicle another year. Notice you have stopped sending it. I did not know my time was out. Wish you would write me before time expires so that I may send you the 'dorene' in time so that we will not miss a copy. Your paper is not as large as some county papers, yet for genuine county news we find it hard to beat."

## SUGGESTIONS FOR BOOSTERS

Here are a few suggestions for boosting a town, which are going the round of the press:

Sell your hammer and buy a horn.

Building a good house builds a good town.

Save a little money and save a lot of worry.

Be like a ball player, always working for home.

Good roads lead not only to town, but to money.

Be a live one and the town will never be a dead one.

Why should the town muzzle dogs and not knockers?

The best plans a man can have to the future are house plans.

When somebody plans to help the town, plan to help the plan.

Be one of the leaders of the town if you can, but anyway keep up.

Don't spend all your time telling what you could do if you had time.

Don't be a grouch. Everybody wishes you well—even the doctor.

A good way to make the world better is to begin with the home town.

If you spend all that you earn, some other fellow is banking your money.

It improves the soup to throw a little pepper in it. Same way with a town.

A town is like a girl. Its wonderful what a little mixing up will do for her.

Don't be trying to stop something all the time. Try to start something.

A good town will do more to keep the boys and girls at home than good advice.

If you would like to have somebody working for you, put a little money in the bank.

Don't look for soft snaps. The hard snaps are the ones that have the ginger in them.

The world owes every man a living, but the street corner is a poor collecting agency.

Many a young man goes away to seek his fortune when fortune is seeking for him at home.

Opportunity knocks once at every man's door. Better be at home when the lady calls.

Plaster your house and everybody will follow your example. Lathe and the world lathes with you.

You've got to be a citizen in order to vote, but you've got to do a great deal more than vote to be a citizen.

If you will consider the men in this town who are well off you will find that most of them made their money here.

### Our Latest Offer.

The attention of the ladies is called to our big clubbing offer. For a limited time we offer The Chronicle one year and Today's Magazine three years for \$1.50. Three free May Manton Patterns with each subscription.

The Chronicle one year and Today's two years and two patterns only \$1.25.

The Chronicle, Today's and McCall's Magazine (including a free pattern with each magazine) \$1.25.

The Chronicle, Today's and Housewife, \$1.00.

The Chronicle, Today's Home Life, Woman's World and People's Popular Monthly, \$1.10.

This offer holds good for a limited time only. Send or mail all remittances to The Chronicle.

## ...ANNOUNCEMENT...

By mutual agreement the firm of Stigall & Potts has dissolved, U. A. Potts, the junior member of the firm, having purchased the interest of H. F. Stigall, senior member, in the stock of merchandise. We want to say to the public—one and all—who have in any way, by trade or influence, contributed to the great success of this well-known and popular establishment, that words are inadequate to express our truest and most sincere appreciation for all the cooperation given from the least child to the oldest citizen who has thus contributed.

We have seemingly done our best to give good values, good goods and fair treatment to all alike. If we have done anyone an injustice, it was purely an error of the head and not of the heart, for life is too short and money too finite to deviate from the pathway of right, and we feel that the business will continue on the same high plane as it has been conducted heretofore. Our Mr. U. A. Potts will be sole proprietor, and we bespeak for him a liberal share of your patronage. Twenty-five years in business without a single change makes us one of the oldest if not the oldest firm in the county. We have customers that began when we began business and they are still appreciated customers.

Sincerely your friends,

STIGALL & POTTS.

Having purchased the stock of merchandise of Stigall & Potts, I want to say in the beginning that I am now in a position to give you greater values for your money than probably you have heretofore been getting, for the reason I will make my prices as low as the lowest for same quality. I am going to put on a Bargain Counter that will make the blind (to other places) turn this way. I will give the best service and best goods that can be given. Make my place your headquarters and see what is being done.

Yours sincerely,

U. A. POTTS.